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April 18, 2005

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
State of Louisiana
Post Office Box 44275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, MARTIN FIELD,
Red River Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

WILL-DRILL PRODUCTION COMPANY, INC. ("Applicant"), hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, in the Martin Field, Red River Parish, Louisiana:

1. To create one (1) additional drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, such unit being shown on the attached plat and being designated HOSS RA SUT.
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed additional unit in accordance with Section 10, Title 30, of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
3. To designate an Operator of, and unit well for, the proposed additional unit as may be appropriate.
4. To extend, except as in conflict herewith, the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 1137-C, effective April 30, 1982, as amended and supplemented by the Order No. 1137-C series of Orders, to the proposed additional unit.
5. To discuss such other matters as may be pertinent to these proposals.

The Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, in the Martin Field, Red River Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 1137-C, effective April 30, 1982.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Will-Drill Production Company, Inc., 416 Travis Street, Suite 1200, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Kem Hargrove at (318) 222-7464 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such

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pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the records of the Louisiana Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

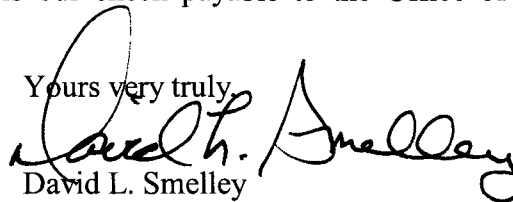
By letter dated April 18, 2005, Applicant gave notice, in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure, of its intention to apply for a public hearing concerning these proposals and set April 28, 2005, as the tentative date for the pre-application conference. No pre-application conference request was received within ten (10) days after the date of said letter; accordingly, no pre-application conference was held.

Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of the unit plat (which is identical to the unit plat attached to the pre-application notice) is enclosed herewith, and a copy of this letter and of the attached plat is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to each of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing, and of the enclosed plat, at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Martin Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, enclosed herewith is our check payable to the Office of Conservation covering the application fee.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David L. Smelley", is written over the typed name.

David L. Smelley

-- Attorney for Will-Drill Production Company, Inc.

DLS:dp
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encls.)
Mr. Kem Hargrove (w/encls.)
Interested Owners, Represented Parties
and Interested Parties (w/plat only)

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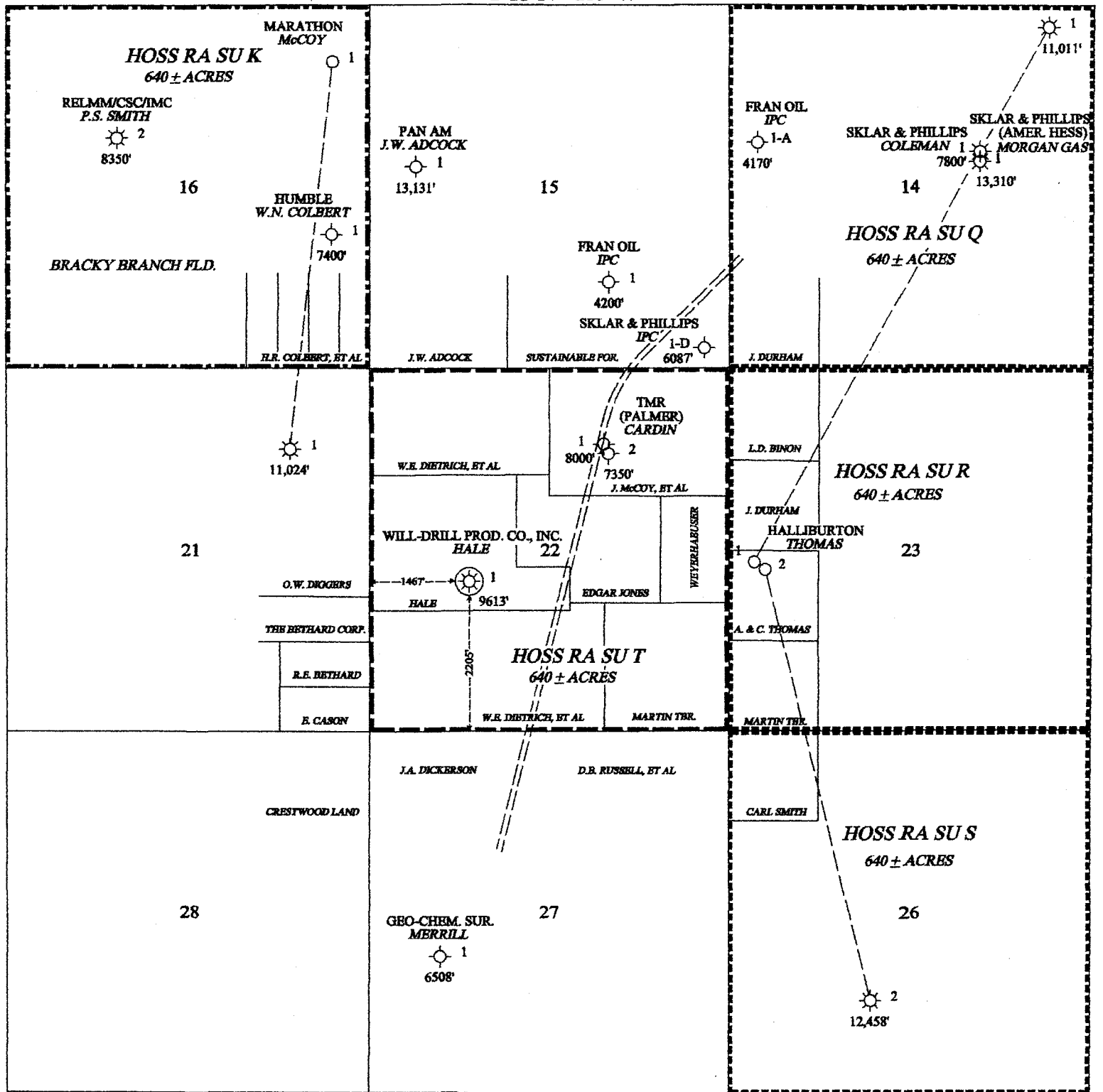


EXHIBIT NO. 1

DOCKET NO. _____

WILL-DRILL PRODUCTION COMPANY, INC.
SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

MARTIN FIELD
RED RIVER PARISH, LOUISIANA
UNIT PLAT FOR
HOSSTON FORMATION RESERVOIR A



:PROPOSED UNIT WELL

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